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Applicant Information

ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
286	3	Kristyn	Bennett	Literacy Coach	Santa Paula Elementary School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
M.A. Reading Instruction with a specialty in Language Arts, University of LaVerne, 2001; Multiple Subject Credential, CSU Northridge, 1998; B.A. Liberal Studies, Westmont College, 1989	S	F

Teaching Experience	Years	Other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	10	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
<input type="checkbox"/> High School	5	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a Literacy Coach for Grace Thille School in Santa Paula, CA. She provides staff development district-wide to support teachers in best practices using the current adoptions for RLA and ELD. She has 17 years teaching experience in Reading/Language Arts, 10 years experience in English Language Development, and 5 years experience in Reading Intervention.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
287	3	Christina	Fischer	District Math Resource Teacher/Coach	Del Paso Heights School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
M.A. Education with Language and Literacy emphasis, CSU Sacramento, 2005; RLA Specialist Credential, CSU Sacramento, 2005; CLAD, CSU Sacramento, 2003; B.S. Human Development, UC Davis, 2000	N	F

Teaching Experience	Years	Other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	5	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
<input type="checkbox"/> High School	2	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a District Math Resource Teacher/Coach for Del Paso Heights School District. She served as an IMAP for the 2007 Math Adoption. She has 5 years teaching experience in Reading/Language Arts and English Development. She also has 2 years teaching experience in Reading Intervention. She is an AB 466/SB 472 trainer for two different mathematics curricula.

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288	3	Mari	Tonin	Language Art Program Specialist	Sac-City Unified School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
B.A. English, CSU Chico, 1982; Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, Chapman University, Sacramento, 2002; Reading Certificate, UC Davis, 2005	N	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		12	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		6	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a Language Arts Program Specialist for Sacramento City Unified School District. She has 12 years experience teaching Reading/Language Arts and English Language Development. She also has 6 years experience teaching Reading Intervention.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
289	3	Jose	Maciel	Multilingual - Coordinator	San Joaquin County Office of Education

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
MA, Education Administration	N	M

Teaching Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		8	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		3	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		5	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

This candidate is currently a Multilingual Coordinator for the San Joaquin County Office of Education. He has a M.A. degree in Education Administration from Fresno Pacific University; B.A. degree in Liberal Studies from California State University, Fresno. He has a BCLAD certificate. He has eight years of R/LA and ELD experience and has been a bilingual teacher for 3 years.

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290	3	Donna	Wright	Instructional Specialist	Dierra USD

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
MA in Art	C	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		5	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		5	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently an Instructional Specialist/Reading Coach for the Sierra Unified School District. She has a M.A. and B.A. degrees in Art. She has 20 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
291	3	Julie	Huson	Teacher /5th Grade	San Rafael City Schools

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
MS in Education, Dominican University of California, San Rafael (2007)	N	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	18	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a fifth grade teacher at Sun Valley Elementary School in San Rafael City School District. She has a M.S. degree in Education from the Dominican University of California, San Rafael (2007) and a B.A. degree in Art from San Francisco State University. She has 18 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts.

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292	3	Shirleen	MacKenzie	Title 1 Teacher	Gold Oak Union School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
BA in Liberal Studies from California State University, Chico	N	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	14	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		2	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		14	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a Title I Teacher for the Golden Oak Union School District. She has a B.A. degree in Liberal Studies from California State University, Chico. She is working on her Masters in Curriculum and Instruction. She has 14 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts and Reading Intervention Education. She has a Reading Specialist Certificate from the California State University, Sacramento.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
293	3	Liliann	Patterson	3rd Grade Teacher	Brawley Elementary School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
BA in California Liberal Studies, San Diego State University	S	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		2	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a third grade Teacher for Brawley Elementary School District. She is currently completing a M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction and has a BLCAD and B.A. degree in Liberal Studies from San Diego State University. She has four years of experience in Reading/Language Arts education and two years of experience in ELD education.

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294	3	Cornelia	Smith	ELA Instructional Consultant	Tulare County Office of Education

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
MA in Bilingual/Bicultural Education, California State University, Bakersfield.	C	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently an instructional consultant for Tulare County Office of Education. She has a M.A. in Bilingual/Bicultural Education and a B.A. in Liberal Studies from California State University, Bakersfield. She has 23 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts Education and six years of experience in ELD and Bilingual Education.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
295	3	Yvonne	Andrade	Elementary Teacher	Montebello Unified School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
Masters Degree in Education, Whittier College (2003)	S	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	14	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		14	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		14	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a fifth grade English Immersion Teacher for Montebello Unified School District. She has a M.A. degree in Education from Whittier College (2003) and a B.A. degree in History from Whittier College (1992). She has 14 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts, English Language Development, and Bilingual Education.

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297	3	Sylvia	Kahn	Title 1 Coordinator/Reform Coordinator	Alameda Unified School District

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
B.A. Sociology, UC Berkeley	N	F

Teaching Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		8	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a Title I Coordinator for two middle school sites in the Alameda Unified School District. She is a Reform Coordinator for 3 middle schools and 3 high schools in Alameda USD. She has 18 years of Reading/Language Arts education and 8 years of Reading Intervention education. She has a B.A. degree in Sociology from UC Berkeley.

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
298	3	Susan	Smith	Administrator	Riverside County Office of Education

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
Ph.D., University of San Diego	S	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently an administrator for the South County Office of Riverside County. She has a Ph.D. from the University of San Diego. She has a M.A. degree and Credential in Special Education from San Diego State University. She has 18 years of experience in Reading/Language Arts and Reading Intervention education.

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300	3	Emily	Tsai	Intervention Coordinator	Monterey Peninsula USD

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
M.A. Education, Educational Administration, California State University -Dominguez Hills (2006)	C	F

Teaching Experience	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		3	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		9	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently coordinating K-12 Intervention programs at the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District. She has nine years of experience in Reading Intervention education, eight years of experience in Reading/Language Arts education. She has a M.A. degree in Education, Educational Administration from California State University, Dominguez Hills (2006).

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ID	Cohort	First Name	Last Name	Position	Employer
301	3	Christina	Dimas	Consultant	Stanislaus County Office of Education

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates

Degrees/Credentials/Certificates	Region	Gender
M.A. Curriculum and Instruction, CSU Sacramento	N	F

Teaching Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary (K-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts	Years	6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English Language Development		6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Training
	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AB 466/ SB 472 Instructor
	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading Intervention		4	<input type="checkbox"/> AB 75/ AB 430 Instructor

Short Biography

The candidate is currently a Consultant for Stanislaus County Office of Education. She supports teachers with instructional strategies, curriculum, and content. She has a M.A. degree in Curriculum and Instruction from California State University, Sacramento. She has six years of experience in Reading/Language Arts and English Language Development education. She has four years of experience in Reading Intervention education.